



SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION No. 21

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

Citations Affected: Article 15 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana.

Synopsis: Protection of natural resources. Requires the general assembly to provide for the protection of the air, water, and other natural resources of Indiana from pollution, impairment, and destruction. This proposed amendment has not been previously agreed to by a general assembly.

Effective: This proposed amendment must be agreed to by two consecutive general assemblies and ratified by a majority of the state's voters voting on the question to be effective.

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January 14, 2008, read first time and referred to Committee on Energy and Environmental Affairs.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to Article 15 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana by adding a new section concerning natural resources.

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of the
- 2 State of Indiana is proposed and agreed to by this, the One Hundred
- 3 Fifteenth General Assembly of the State of Indiana, and is referred to
- 4 the next General Assembly for reconsideration and agreement.
- 5 SECTION 2. ARTICLE 15 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE
- 6 STATE OF INDIANA IS AMENDED BY ADDING A NEW
- 7 SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS: **Section 11. The conservation**
- 8 **and development of the natural resources of Indiana are of**
- 9 **paramount public concern in the interest of the health, safety, and**
- 10 **general welfare of the people of Indiana. The General Assembly**
- 11 **shall provide for the protection of the air, water, and other natural**
- 12 **resources of Indiana from pollution, impairment, and destruction.**



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